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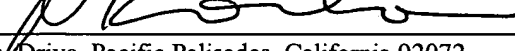
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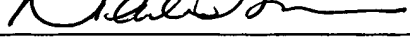
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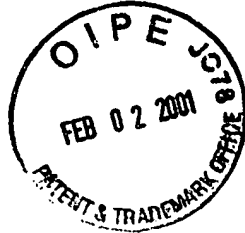
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**Entitled:** METHOD FOR SYSTEM-  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(37 C.F.R 1.9(f) and 1.27(c)) — Small Business Concern**

I declare that I am the owner or an officer of the small business concern identified below, and I am empowered to act on its behalf:

Name of Concern:     APRISA, INC.

Address of Concern:    2829 Townsgate Road, Suite 201  
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I declare that the this small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 C.F.R. § 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under 35 U.S.C. § 41(a) and (b), in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.


I declare that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to this invention, which is described in the above-captioned application executed herewith.



I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b))

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